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Re: ***Knussman v. State of Maryland***
Civil Action # B-95-1255
United States District Court for the District of Maryland

Dear Betty:

I have followed with interest your pronouncements in the media concerning the collectibility of our judgment. Though your remarks have engendered little doubt concerning the ultimate outcome of this matter, they have convinced us of the need to adopt a more aggressive collection policy than we would ordinarily take in dealing with the government and its officials.

Accordingly, I write to request you inform me, in writing, of the Defendants' intentions regarding the payment of this judgment. If I have not received a completely satisfactory response from you by noon on October 6, 1999, we shall commence execution efforts that afternoon.

Very truly yours,


Robin R. Cockey

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Encl.

cc: Deborah A. Jeon, Esq.
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